

South Denver #93 Trestleboard

Stated communications the 1st and 3rd Tuesdays of each month September-May www.SouthDenver93.org Dinners at 6:30 pm - \$15 Lodge opens at 7:15 pm.



CALENDAR – January 2016

January 5 - Communication

Dinner 6:30 - Price Increased to \$15.00 Ladies, family, and guests welcome Lodge opens 7:15 Program - Worshipful Brother Ben Williams 'On the History of Longitudes'

January 12 - Officers Practice

January 19 - Stated Communication

Dinner 6:30 -Lodge opens 7:15 Program - Brother Paul Harrison, 'Robert's Rule of Order

Message from the South...

Thank you for the opportunity to serve South Denver No. 93 as Junior Warden. In the coming Masonic year I will work to get implemented the numerous recommendations made by the audit committee. The recommendations focus upon ensuring the fiscal responsibility of the Brothers and Lodge as a whole in the coming year and beyond. One of the recommendations is to review the budget of the Lodge and the amount of annual dues required to meet the desires of the Brotherhood at South Denver. Please be invited to the discussion and make your input known. Paul R. Harrison

From your Secretary...

Please remember to remit your dues by the end of the month. It would be sad if we were to lose you as a member due to non-payment of dues. If you are having trouble paying your dues please let us know as we can help. **Bryan Schultz**

Officers for 2015

S. Todd Warburton (Christine) Worshipful Master Senior Warden Andrew Schnackenberg Junior Warden Paul R. Harrison (Lauri) John A. Warren, PM Treasurer Bryan P. Schultz, PM Secretary Michael C. Madura (Angela) Senior Deacon Junior Deacon James Rangel (Christy) Senior Steward

Clinton Keithline, PM (Mary) William F. Milnor (Deanna)

Greetings from the East...

May brotherly love prevail, and every moral and social virtue cement us.....

To the Brethren of South Denver

I would like to thank the brethren for granting me the opportunity to lead our Lodge for the following year. I have the wonderful challenge to continue in the footsteps of the many Past Masters that have laid a solid foundation for this journey. I look forward to taking the time to individually thank all of you. Coming off of the holiday season it seems like the perfect time to take inventory of all the things we have to be grateful for. For me, I prefer the simple note to articulate my gratitude. It seems I am not the only person who thinks this way.

Life is all about the connections that we make. But in a world running at 21st century speed, it can be difficult to take the time to "drop a note" - even when everyone you know is an email or text message away. In my perusal or one of my favorite periodicals this weekend, I stumbled upon an important time to remedy that. If you're feeling disconnected from the people you care about, Letter Writing Week is the perfect time to fix that.

The second week of January is dedicated to letter writing. And yes, that means rummaging around your desk for a pen, a quality piece of stationery and an envelope. You'll need a stamp or two as well. Once you've gathered all of the necessary supplies, you're ready to reach out; whether it's to reconnect with an old friend, tell a loved one that you care, or simply thank a Masonic brother for listening. This could also be the perfect time to hunker down and write those holiday thank-you cards.

The month of January has more than its fair share of writing inspired holidays. National Handwriting Day and Thesaurus Day are especially easy to pay homage to. Just find some new, unusual words in your handy thesaurus (i.e., thesaurus.com) and work them into your letter's lines.

So consider taking the time to pen a heartfelt missive to someone. Receiving a letter addressed specifically to you is a singular and all too uncommon experience. It's purposeful and sincere, and the time that it takes to write out your words could mean a lot to those who read them. It's also a tangible way to show someone they're in your thoughts, even after the holiday season.

When a new year begins, we're all afforded a fresh start at connecting with those we love. Although it only takes a few minutes, writing a letter is a great way to show that you care. And who knows, you might get a letter of your own in return.

Thank you again for the Honor and Privilege Fraternally Yours,

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S. Todd Warburton, Worshipful Master

Message from the West...

Brethren,

Junior Steward

Chaplain

Tiler

It is an honor and a privilege to be addressing the brethren from the West. I am greatly humbled and excited as well for an amazing year ahead of us masons. I want to congratulate Worshipful Master Todd Warburton on his election to the East. He has led by

example and I am very eager to embark upon a new year of light in Masonry under his stewardship. I also want to take the opportunity to congratulate Worshipful Brother Curt Lipkie on an incredible year in the East. Our lodge is stronger for his tenure as Master of South Denver 93.

A new Masonic year and a new calendar year presents boundless opportunity to grow in our Masonic education, learning, and fellowship. We must also remember that charity is a major pillar of our fraternity, and that we are called upon to provide relief to our brethren, their families, and our communities when we see a need and have the means to do so. I am challenging myself to do more in the coming year for charitable causes that I did in 2015. Will you join me in doing the same, Brother?

As we look to a new Masonic year, I am reminded of a verse from the scripture - "But they that wait upon the Lord shall renew [their] strength; they shall mount up with wings as eagles; they shall run, and not be weary; [and] they shall walk, and not faint." Isaiah 40:31. We find strength to pursue new adventures with vigor and strength through the great lights of Masonry.

Enjoy the holidays, brethren. May the new year be a joyous and wondrous new year for you and all your families.

Fraternally,

Andrew Schnackenberg Senior Warden, South Denver 93